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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on April 21, 2003. Applicant herewith submits a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the period set for response from July 21, 2003 to October 21, 2003. A separate request for extension of time and fee are attached to this Response. the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this response to Deposit Account No. 13-3405 if any fee is required.